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European Rarities Of Yardley Collection Bring Notable Prices

The European portion of the famous R. B. Yardley collection, which was auctioned recently in London by H. R. Harmer of Bond Street, presented a wealth of rarities, numerous superb covers and 31 lots of Essays and Proofs. Some of the outstanding items and the prices they brought are as follows:

FRANCE, the 1849 1fr vermilion, tied to cover with gridiron cancel, \$382. **NORWAY**, three copies of the 1855 4sk, different postmarks, \$46. **SWEDEN**, the 1855 24sk, tied to cover, \$60; the rare TRETIO error on the 1872-77 20-ore vermilion, \$252.

SWITZERLAND, Burich 1843 6r, horizontal lines, type II, \$72; Zurich 1843 4r, vertical lines, type II, used, \$382, and a similar stamp on cover, \$336. Vaud, 1849 4c tied to small cover, \$336. Neuchatel, 1850 5c lightly cancelled, \$128, and another similar stamp tied to cover with blue bars postmark, \$104.

AUSTRIA, essay in red of the 1850 6kr, a corner block of six \$270, the 1851-56 rose newspaper stamp (30kr), used, \$136. Austria, Offices in Turkey No. 7b, the imperf between pair \$50.

BAVARIA the 1849 6kr brown with broken circle, used \$10; a cover combining the 12kr, 6kr and two of the 3kr of 1870-73, \$54; the same 12kr used on entire to Italy, \$54. **HANOVER**, a pair of the 1853 3pf, tied to cover, \$44. **OLDENBURG**, a pair of the 1861 1gr, tied to small piece \$33.50. **WURTEMBERG**, 1856-60 18kr dark blue, used, \$46.

ITALIAN STATES: ROMAN STATES, a tete-beche pair (No. 1b) of the 1852 1/2b in gray blue, tied to cover \$423.50. **TWO SICILIES**, No. 9, the Cross 1/2t deep blue, used, \$133; Sicily 1859 10gr unused, \$18. Tuscany 1a, a lightly cancelled pair, \$113; a used copy

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Aachen, Pontwall 7, den 6. Mai 1943

Die feierlichen Exequien werden gehalten am Freitag, dem 14. Mai, morgens 9 (10) Uhr, in der Pfarrkirche Heilig Kreuz.

Redaktion Stamp News

Announcement For Red Cross Stamp Now Long Past Due

Many weeks ago, the Postoffice Department, after appeals from almost everyone in America, finally announced that Red Cross or Blood Plasma stamp would be issued. Collectors are anxiously waiting and dealers have already prepared and planned for the first day cover service on this stamp, yet no further word comes from Washington.

The country is now on the verge of a big nation wide drive for the Red Cross War Fund. Why has this stamp not been prepared and announced for this drive?

Is it to be turned loose with the start of the drive and will advance notice be so short that collectors and dealers will be caught short on the first day covers. Certainly, cooperation in a matter of this nature would be the best way to boost the sale of this stamp and create interest and enthusiasm in this drive.

We think it is time that the stamp collector should be given the informations as to date of issue and plans for this coming stamp.

SPRINGFIELD STAMP CLUB FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The Springfield Stamp Club of Springfield, Mass., will celebrate its 50th anniversary on February 8th with a dinner at the Hotel Kimball. A number of guests from nearby clubs have been invited and a very special program for this occasion will be carried out. A special souvenir label for the occasion has been prepared and collectors who desire a copy may have same without charge by sending a stamped addressed envelope to the Club Secretary, Mr. Leon N. Webster, 74 Talcott Ave., West Springfield, Mass.

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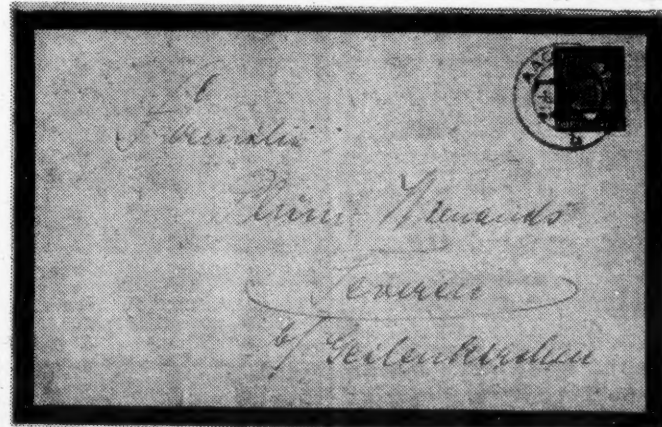
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An Unusual Cover From Germany Is This Mourning Letter Folder; A Choice Philatelic Souvenir

Most collectors of covers would prize this piece which we are able to illustrate this week, through the kindness of Mr. John F. Sweet of Waltham, Mass. The cover was sent to Mr. Sweet by a neighbor boy with the Ninth Army in Germany. He picked them up in a bombed house in Gelichkirchen, nine miles east of Aachen in Germany. Aachen, you will remember is about the first of the smaller towns of any prominence that was taken by the American Army and later overrun by the German drive which has in turn been pushed back and again leaves Aachen in American hands. The cover is cancelled at Aachen, 8/5/43 and the stamp is the 3pf. Hitler stamp of the series in use at that time. The stamp is in brown.

The sheet we illustrate is a folder, measuring 7 inches wide by 9 1/4 inches high and with a tongue, die cut flap at the top, when un-



folded. It is intended to be folded once, the flap tucked in a slit in the lower half of the sheet and addressed on front for mailing. The mourning border is on both sides of the sheet and on the back, when folded.

The face of the cover as illustrated is 7 inches wide by 4 1/2 inches high. The folder is of white paper of a good quality and at the bottom of the folder below the announcement is the imprint of the

MAX F. BIER

Max F. Bier, proprietor of the old established and well known stamp firm Max F. Bier Co., with offices at 47 Bertha Place Staten Island, New York, passed away on January 24th, due to a heart attack. For the past year or so, he had been suffering from this trouble, but was holding his own until about two weeks ago when he failed rapidly until the end.

Mr. Bier was fifty-six years old. For over forty years he had been engaged in the stamp business, and prior to the war, had connections all over the world. At one time he specialized in auction sales, but recently had generally confined his activities to filling want lists and approval selections. He was a member of all the prominent Philatelic Societies.

Mr. Bier's passing will be mourned by his multitude of customers and friends, some of whom had dealt with him for over a quarter of a century.

Mr. Bier has been a user of advertising space in the various publications which we have printed in the years since the early part of this century and is undoubtedly well known to many of the readers of this paper.

Thus passes another of what must be called, one of the old timers of the stamp world.

printer, "Bookdruckerei Johannes Volk, Aachen."

It was mailed by the widow of the soldier mentioned, from Aachen to Gelichkirchen on May 8th, 1943, and announces the death of her husband on the Russian Front.

It will be noted that this man was the Police-Overinspector and that may account for such an elaborate announcement.

According to Mr. Sweet, the translation is roughly, as follows: "In defense of his fatherland, killed in Channolowo, (Russia), on the 21st of April 1943, my loving husband and fond father of three children, the Police-Overinspector Michael de Gavarelli, born January 2nd 1900. Holder of the Second Order of the Iron Cross and the East Medal and other honors. He lies in the grave in the Heroes Cemetery in Nikolskoje. In deepest sorrow, Maria de Gavarelli, widow, children and family, Aachen, Pontwall 7, the sixth of May, 1943."

Below this announcement there is notice of a memorial religious ceremony to be held at the local church to commemorate his death.

You will of course note the Iron Cross at the top of the announcement.

Mr. Sweet also submits another cover of interest, a Fieldpost letter mailed from the Russian front. This however is on a color of paper that would make it impractical to reproduce satisfactorily in a photo and make a cut from it and we thus shall not attempt it.

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ALBANIA—Semi-Postals. A series of 8 stamps were released April 1, 1943, to aid in the control of tuberculosis. The design pictures a nurse watching over a child in a cradle. Details as follows: 5q plus 5q dark green (320,000); 10q plus 10q brown (320,000); 15q plus 10q rose (120,000); 25q plus 15q blue (70,000); 30q plus 20q violet (60,000); 50q plus 25q dark orange (50,000); 65q plus 30q slate green (45,000); 1fr plus 40q red brown (40,000).

—Max L. Justus
FRANCE—From a soldier in France. I have an attractive issue which may be a semi-postal and was issued under Vichy control for the victims of the war. Featured are a nurse, a



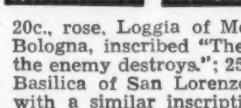
wounded boy, and a girl with a baby in her arms. Under the design is lettered "Cinq Francs" (5 Francs).

FRANCE—Overprints for Chambery. In the "Great Men of the 17th Century" set only 175 copies of each value were overprinted. The values were: 50c. plus 1Fr.50; 80c. plus 2Fr.20; 1Fr.20 plus 2Fr.80; 1Fr.50 plus 3Fr.50; 2Fr. plus 4Fr. and 4Fr. plus 6Fr. The "Coat-of-Arms" set was also included, in part, as follows: 10Fr. plus 15Fr. (4,500); 15Fr. plus 20Fr. (4,500); and 20Fr. plus 25Fr. (2,300). Other stamps are: 1Fr.50 plus 1Fr.50 Petain (10,000); 4Fr. plus 6Fr. Chappe (120); 5Fr. plus 10Fr. Petain (4,500); and 20Fr. plus 30Fr. Meige (2,175).

CREUSE used the Petain types and overprinted on them the Cross of Lorraine. The values so treated and quantities were: 1Fr. (390); 1Fr.50 (1,500); 2Fr. (310); 3Fr. (310); 4Fr. (410); and 4Fr.50 (410). Petain heads were overprinted with the Cross of Lorraine and "Libre" for Indre, there being 450 complete sets of the following denominations: 60c., 70c., 80c., 1Fr., 1Fr. 20, 1Fr.50, 2Fr., 2Fr.40, 3Fr., 4Fr., & 4Fr.50. Lille, on the other hand used only the 1Fr.50 Petain (204,000) with the Cross of Lorraine and "R. F." with varieties existant with reversed (inverted?) surcharge and without the "F" of the "R. F." **ORLEANS used solely the 1Fr.20 Petain postal card overprinted "R.F." and Reims et Chalons Marne overprinted 17,000 of the 1Fr.50 Petain with the same letters.**

—Leon Monosson
HAITI—Overprint. A limited number of Scotts C8A was overprinted in red 10c on 60c. Patrons waited in line and only received 2 to 5 copies.

—O. Weinreb
ITALY—Four stamps have been received for the Repubblica Sociale Italiana, replacing the overprinted postage and special deliveries described sometime ago. The values and designs are:



20c., rose, Loggia of Merchants, Bologna, inscribed "The fury of the enemy destroys"; 25c., green, Basilica of San Lorenzo, Rome, with a similar inscription; 30c.,

brown, drummer boy and Fasces, inscribed "All 'Armi," and 75c., red-purple, the same as the 30c.

INDIA—Surcharge. Stamp Collecting reports surcharges and overprints for Cochín, Gwalior and Nabha as follows: Cochín—surcharge of 1a.3p. on 1a.8p. and 9p. on 1a. Gwalior—overprinted on recent India types, 3p., 9p., 1a., 1½a., 2a., 3a., and 4a. alone with Service overprints on the 4a. and 8a. Nabha—overprints on recent types of India 3p., ½a., 9p., 1a. 3p., 1½a., 2a., 3a., 4a., 6a., 8a., and Service overprints on the 9p., 1a., 1½a., 2a., 4a., 8a. and 1r.

POLAND—Semi-Postals. Several portrait stamps have been released under German occupation. The values and subjects are reported as follows: 12g. plus 18g., Konrad Celtis, scholar and author; 24g. plus 26g., Andreas Schluter, architect and sculptor; 30g. plus 30g., Hans Boner, Swiss merchants; and 1z. plus 1z., Jerry Bogumil Putsch, geologist and writer.

—N. Y. Sun
SWITZERLAND—Semi-Postals. On December 1st, the annual "Pro Juventute" charity series was released in the following designs and colors: 5c plus 5c green—Portrait of Numa Droz, Statesman and Educator; 10c plus 5c light olive, yellow and green—Edelweiss (Leontopodium alpinum); 20c plus 5c red, yellow and gray—Lilies (Lilium Martagon); 30c plus 10c blue, gray and light blue—Alp flower (Aquilegia alpina).

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We refer to the covers showing the new reduced rate for airmail letters to and from Hawaii. On January 15th, the rate for such letters was reduced from 20c to 15c and we are indebted to Mr. Etsuo Sayama of Honolulu for a specimen of this first day cover which is attractively marked with "FIRST DAY/JAN. 15, 1945/15c TRANS-PACIFIC/AIR-MAIL RATE."

If you did not get a cacheted cover you can keep your eyes open for a cover of this date without cachet if you can find one. We are of the opinion that the change was almost unknown to the public by an considerable announcement for we have also received another letter from Hawaii, canceled on the 15th January and which bears a 20c stamp.

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I get an immense satisfaction out of looking over my stamps, mounting them, or just reading about them. When my mind is tired I sometimes sit down and think about stamps—any stamps—because stamps mean relaxation to me. To have attained this pleasure from a hobby seems to be as much as one could ask. It is "why I collect stamps."

NOTE TO ENSIGN SCHWARTZ
—And a darned good set of reasons—and best of luck and a speedy victory to you and all your fellow men in uniform.

OH YEAH DEPT. Top honors to date go to Alexis Kellner-Kelllogg writing in a contemporary philatelic periodical. Mr. Kellner-Kelllogg runs the drug store of philately in Detroit and writes on the subject "WHAT PRICES AFTER THE WAR". For downright poor composition, inaccuracy and pessimism of the highest rank, and I do mean rank, the early 1945 prize goes to Mr. K. K. who predicts, and I quote, "The world will be full of REVOLUTIONS—REVOLUTIONS—Revolutions—Unrest—Revolutions—Revolutions—Unrest—Unrest". He then predicts that prices will continue, that there will be a shortage of stamps and that 19th Century material is the coming thing in stamps. This is the type of journalism that was deplored at the Essex Stamp Club on January 15th, but which you'll get right along as long as editors don't read and correct manuscripts or print anything an advertiser sends to them. And this—in the magazine which boasts of such a perfectionist in its top-flight columnist. Oh yeah?

STAMPS AT THE CROSS-ROADS: None of my recent mail has caught up with me, and I haven't yet heard from readers who are located in towns and cities where there are no retail stamp shops. However, I'd like very much to hear from those collectors to learn how they are completing their collections.

SHORTAGE OF MATERIAL—
On my eastern trip I have visited three of the largest cities and the outstanding complaint has been the shortage of material. Dealers stocks are growing slimmer and wholesalers are slowly becoming only retailers. Complete collections are seldom offered for sale, excepting at auctions and there may soon come a time when even the inexpensive stamps will be extremely difficult to obtain. I have never professed to being an oracle, but so many readers ask my opinion of what stamps are good investments. That's a tough question to ask, because if I guess

wrong I'm a bum and if I'm right, who declares Case in on the profits?

Well, air mails, mint or used are first on my list; the better items in U. S. and I don't mean sheets of commemoratives; semi-postals of any country are next, followed by British Colonies and the cleaner, newer (1935 and later) issues of France, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, and the mint material of Latin America. And if you have any better ideas, I'll print your ideas in this column any time you write.

Russian material is bringing very high prices at auctions and although there is a flood of stamps from that country brought back by merchant mariners, they fail to bring complete sets, thus losing their full value. At a New York auction yesterday, Russia, mint and used brought almost full, full or over catalogue prices. Now don't all be rushin' to get Russian material!

COLLECTORS WANT THEM

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SOME DESIRABLE PHILATELIC WRITINGS

Under the above heading, in the October 1944 number of the Collectors Club Philatelist which has only just come to hand, is an article by Mr. Steve Rich with some suggestions as to the need for new books on various subjects. Naturally the article has to do primarily with the need for highly specialized books on the subjects mentioned and is therefore a call for writings that will appeal to but a limited number of collectors. The principal need as Mr. Rich says is a thoroughly revised and up to date book on 19th Century U. S. as he points out that the well known Luff Work is so out of date that it is of little real value to the collector of today. Mr. Rich might have gone farther and said that the Luff work never was a specialists book of any great value due wholly to the fact that it told so little about the stamps and their many known varieties as are of interest to students and specialists but was rather a compilation of Government papers and documents, which give but meagre information about the stamps and their known varieties. For downright interest and information on these stamps, the series of small handbooks issued by E. B. Power many years ago, gave more material of value to a specialist and collector than did the Luff work.



My object in writing this matter is not to support the remarks of Mr. Rich that new books are needed, or new pamphlets are needed, which is evident to anyone, but to call attention to another matter as concerns Philatelic Writings which we consider has been handled in the wrong manner for a long time.

It is a fact that now and then there is published in some of the stamp papers as well as frequently, in the Collectors Club Philatelist, articles and studies on certain stamps which are without doubt of great value and interest to those collectors who are interested in the stamps in question. The point then is, how can these articles be kept and filed for reference so that if and when there is occasion to refer to them, they may readily be found.

Let us take this October 1944 number of the Collectors Club Philatelist and analyze it and in doing this we can also ask that you take some numbers of the American Philatelist of past years and analyze them in the same manner and you will then get the point we want to make and we believe you will agree with our remarks.

The Collectors Club Philatelist contains, counting the cover, 52 pages. Of these 52 pages there are 16 pages devoted to an article on Porto Rico; 7 pages to an article titled, "Pedigree of Rare Stamps" and 8 pages to an article on Postmarks and Cancellations on Sardinian stamps.

A total of 31 pages out of 52 that contain matter that is of unquestionable interest and value to a certain number of collectors. In some instances all three articles may be desired by some collector for future reference, in other cases only one or two of the articles, may be considered as desirable for keeping for future reference.

The point we now want to make is that articles of this nature should not be published in a journal of this type along with the other material and the many pages of advertising that are printed.

If a collector desires to keep this material it should be in pamphlet form. Along with the same issue of the C. C. P. comes a pamphlet on GREECE. Now if the other three articles had also been prepared in the same style as this pamphlet on Greece, those who have a wish to retain any of the articles for further reference could do so with a minimum of space and trouble. They could index their library in such manner that they could readily locate any of the articles if wanted for reference, but in the form that the material is presented, it becomes lost in a pile of old papers and magazines and in most cases is soon thrown away. If in Pamphlet form it could and much of it would be kept for years and it would become of value as a Philatelic Publication.

Much that deserves the same treatment has been printed in the American Philatelist in years past and much of this has long ago been dumped to the scrap paper drive.

We believe that the club or society that wishes to print material of this nature should produce it in such manner that it may be kept by those members who desire it for reference without the necessity of filing away at the same time an equal bulk of paper that as the years go by, becomes just a lot of scrap paper.

THEY ARE AMG STAMPS

A contemporary publication prints a statement that the French AMG stamps are not an AMG issue but were sold at operating post-offices to civilians only. These AMG stamps for both France and Italy were made for civilian use and not for use of the army. They were part and parcel of the Military Government set up by the Allies in occupied territory and were intended to provide suitable postage stamps for the civilian population and not for soldiers mail.

IF YOU ARE A PLATE NUMBER COLLECTOR

Last week, this paper printed a complete list of the plate numbers on all 18 values of the new Postal Note Stamps that go in use February 1st. If you are a plate number collector you may appreciate that, but the point is that we will bet you a mint block of four U. S. stamps that no other stamp paper or newspaper in the country will carry that same list until later. How did we get the list? Well, that would be telling, but a good newspaper man must have "a nose for news." If we went into detail to explain how we got several of the "beats" we scored last year, we might awaken some of the other boys, or at least start them to thinking.

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More Rumor And News About Korean Stamps

A letter is at hand from Mr. Frank T. Plowman of the Nutmeg Stamp Company of Stanford, Conn. Mr. Plowman first takes us to task for lack of information on the stamp in question. He also blames the Philatelic Press for the run on this stamp. He concludes by sending copies of letters from the Department at Washington and wants to know why we do not get the dope.

As a matter of record, all of the information in the papers he sends us has been printed before, in fact soon after or before the stamp was issued. The matter he mentions is the quantity authorized for issue. This figure is fifteen million as has long ago been noted, but the question is, how many were sold at the Agency, or issued to postoffices. Word from Washington when the stamps were put on sale is that a large part of the printing was so poor that it was unfit for sale to Philatelists. Therefore were 15 million stamps disposed of in the usual manner or is the figure much less?

The Korea sheets were all with the name and invert "T" mark at the top of the sheet, none with "T" at bottom, so the advice from Washington states. This we also published when the stamp was issued. Trouble is we can not reprint this matter every week and if people do not see it when printed, we can not help that.

Mr. Plowman states that he is advised (rumor) that a New York crowd put up \$200,000 to pick up the last of the Koreans at the Agency. That would mean 80,000 sheets. If and when the Department cares to give us the real facts

on this transaction, we will have the correct answer. Mr. Plowman further suggests that the stamps be reprinted. This we can not agree with. They were on sale long enough that anyone who wanted them could have had them and we see no reason for any reprinting unless it be to correct the errors in the flag.

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tral Ohio Precancel Club I picked

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This and That.

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Bulletin of the Southern California

Precancel Club came in this month

with a 1c Narrow Prea. from

Hollywood. Last month they used

1/2c Presidents from San Pedro

in U-53 type . . . Besides Indiana

there is an OSCEOLA in Arkan-

sas, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and

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mediate points. I assume that ser-

vice to Bartlesville will begin in

about six or eight weeks.

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was extended from Tulsa, Okla. to

New Orleans, La., via Muskogee,

Oklahoma; Fort Smith, Arkansas;

Texarkana, Texas; and Shreveport

Louisiana; into New Orleans,

Louisiana. Authorization was also

approved for direct flights on this

route between Joplin (or Kansas

City) and Fort Smith to avoid the

circuitous routing via Tulsa and

Muskogee. A restriction in the op-

erating certificate states that all

flights operating into Shreveport

and New Orleans must originate

(or terminate) at Kansas City or

points north of that point. AM-26

is operated by Mid-Continent Air-

lines, Inc., and presently operates

between Minneapolis and Tulsa

via Omaha and Kansas City. At

the immediate time I do not know

when service will begin on the

New Orleans extension, but I don't

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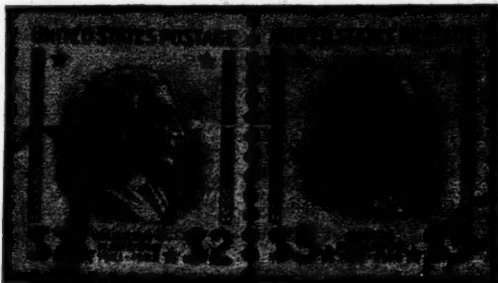
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